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thanks -keep us posted

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On Nov 27, 2019, at 3:22 AM, Loesel, Matthew <loesel.matthew@epa.gov> wrote:

On November 27, 2019, a report was received from the National Response Center about an explosion at a facility in Port Neches, TX. The caller was a citizen who reported the facility was Huntsman Chemical, but upon gathering additional information from the State of Texas and the local news, it was determined the facility was TPC. Reports state that the explosion was felt for miles around with damages to homes and shops in the area. The news is reporting an evacuation of a half-mile around the facility and shelter-in-place beyond that. No fatalities have been reported and only minor injuries. The plant continues to burn at this time. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality is activating to the Incident Command Post with air monitoring equipment. OSC Adam Adams and START have been activated and are working on heading to the scene.

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